

# Nature Center Activities

## Turkey Run State Park

Tues & Wed, February 24-25

Nature Center CLOSED

Thursday & Friday, February 26-27

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – Help stock the nature center's wildlife observation area with birdseed, and then watch through large windows as birds and squirrels eat and interact.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – Enjoy a free 40-minute star show in the nature center planetarium. Hear legends, find constellations, and discover which planets and meteor showers are currently putting on a show in the night sky.

Saturday, February 28

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**\*10:30am In Search of Skunk Cabbage**– Meet on the nature center front porch for a 2-hour moderate hike in search of the Park's earliest spring wildflower. Nature Center.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

**3-4pm Driving Me BATTY** - Stop by the nature center between 3 and 4 to discover the mysteries of the world's only flying mammal & to make a flying bat to keep! 20-min activity.

Sunday, March 1

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

**\*3-4:30pm Man's Quest For Fire**- Try primitive fire-starting techniques, and make yourself a fire starter for your next camp- or woodstove fire. Nature Center.

Mon, Tues & Wed, March 2-4

Nature Center CLOSED

Thursday & Friday, March 5-6

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

Saturday, March 7

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**\*10:30am This Hike Is For The Birds** - Meet in the INN LOBBY for a 1.5-hour moderate hike to look for birds & their nests. The hike will end at the Nature Center for an up-close look at birds eating breakfast in the observation area!

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See previous.

Sunday, March 8

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See above.

**10:30am Woodpecker Feeders** – Make a pinecone feeder for the woodpeckers, and take home a special woodpecker recipe they will love. 20-minute activity. Nature Center.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

Mon, Tue & Wed, March 9-11

Nature Center CLOSED

Thursday & Friday, March 12-13

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds**- See above.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show**- See above.

Saturday, March 14

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See above.

**\*10:30am Signs of Spring Hike** – Gather in front of the nature center for a 1-hour moderate hike into Spring!

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See previous.

Sunday, March 15

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See above.

**10:30am Bluebird Nesting** – Watch a 30-minute video about Eastern Bluebirds, & then take home plans to make, monitor & maintain a bluebird house. Nature Center.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See previous.

**\*Healthy Parks – Healthy People: Get “INShape” with us or discover how to keep a state park healthy at these programs**

Children under the age of 14 must be with an adult while attending programs or visiting the nature center.

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## Turkey Run State Park

Mon, Tues & Wed, March 16-18

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Thurs & Fri, March 19-20

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

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**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – Enjoy a free 40-minute star show in the nature center planetarium. Hear legends, find constellations, and discover which planets and meteor showers are currently putting on a show in the night sky.

**Also on Thursday – Meet The Friends** – Stop by the Inn's Dogwood Room to see what the Park's volunteer group is doing these days. Become a Park volunteer!

Saturday, March 21

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**\*10:30am Find A Fossil** – Gather at the nature center for a 1-hour moderate hike to explore a canyon and hunt for fossils.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

Sunday, March 22

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**10:30am Parke County Video Tour** – Meet in the nature center auditorium to take a 25-minute armchair tour of the quaint county surrounding Turkey Run State Park.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

Mon, Tues & Wed, March 23-25

Nature Center CLOSED

Thurs & Fri, March 26-27

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

Saturday, March 28

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**\*10:30am Early Spring Wildflowers** – Meet on the nature center porch to go hunting for those hardy early spring wildflowers. 1-hr. easy hike.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

Sunday, March 29

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EST

**\*10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous.

**10:30am Naturally Indiana** – Enjoy a 45-minute video tour of Indiana's beautiful natural areas. Nature Center.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above.

Mon, Tues & Wed, March 30-31 & April 1

Nature Center CLOSED



**Earn pins, kerchiefs, patches & more!**  
**Hoosier Quest Program**

**Sign up at the Nature Center**

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